Statement

The number of inspections, prosecutions and convictions during the years 1997, 1998 and 1999

Year	No. of Inspections	No. of Prosecutions	No. of Convictions
1997	12,340	5,084	3,270
1998	11,547	4,673	2,325
1999	8,798	3,961	1,359

*Figures are provisional

Comprehensive Labour Policy

12355. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal for preparing a new comprehensive employment and labour policy is under Government's consideration;

(b) if so, what are the main features of the new employment and labour policy;

(c) the date from which it is proposed to implement the new policy; and

(d) what positive steps have been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (d) Review and updating of Labour Policy is a continuous process to make it in consonance with emerging needs. The thrust of the labour Policy during the 9th Five Year Plan is on consolidation of the base created through tripartism for maintaining industrial peace and harmony. The thrust of employment policy during the 9th Five Year Plan is to generate greater productive employment in the process of growth by concentrating on sectors, sub-sectors and technologies which are labour intensive. There are also special programmes to promote employment, develop skills, enhance technological levels and strengthen infrastructure.

Journalist and Non-Journalist Employees of Visual Media

2356. SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.